

577—Ellerbe Drug Co., drugs, chain gang	3.00
578—S. Biggs, drugs, chain gang	7.70
579—Charlie Covington, work on roads, Rockingham Township	62.82
580—C. J. Jones, shop work chain gang	17.45
581—Marvin Andrews, work Rockingham-Cheraw road	75.00
582—Ideal Farm, work on roads, Marks Creek	20.50
583—Rockingham Cash Store, groceries, chain gang	463.41
584—A. P. Fry, repairing bridge	1.00
585—J. T. Lowe, hauling provisions, chain gang	24.50
586—Rockingham R. R. Co., freight on culverts	47.80
587—J. A. McAulay, C. S. C., cost road cases, Hamlet	63.90
588—J. A. McAulay, C. S. C., costs road cases, Superior Court	292.60
589—E. F. Craven, part payment tractor	250.00
590—J. T. Dockery, work on Dry Fork road	37.70
591—J. F. Dockery, abutments Big Mtn. Creek bridge	1.50

Total current expense for October, 1917 \$ 2,569.55

ROAD DISBURSEMENTS FOR NOVEMBER, 1917.

No.	To Whom Paid	For What Paid	Amount
592—Baker, Watts & Co., bond dated Nov. 1, 1915, paid			\$ 1,000.00
593—Baker, Watts & Co., semi-annual interest on bonds			600.00
594—S. A. L. Ry. Co., freight on tractor			107.73
595—W. W. Gibson, rock abutments, Rham-Cheraw road			30.00
596—J. W. Butler, dragging Hoffman road			129.40
597—C. A. McFayden, dragging and repairing Ellerbe-J. Spgs. Rd.			162.50
598—J. W. Lomax, work on J. Spgs.-Hoffman road			12.00
599—W. E. McNair, supplies, chain gang			82.00
600—E. P. Pearce, dragging Hamlet-Laurinburg road			6.00
601—W. R. Land, drayage Land Extension Rham road			35.00
602—William Wallace, dragging State Line road			14.75
603—Scarboro Bros., lumber bridges, Steeles			3.84
604—W. H. Lassiter, supplies chain gang			30.40
605—J. R. Jarrell, supplies chain gang			37.45
606—C. D. Russell, supplies, chain gang			13.61
607—R. F. Scholl, dragging Ghio road			10.00
608—C. J. Jones, shop work chain gang			29.80
609—W. R. Carter, making road drag			5.00
610—Thomas H. Howell, work on roads, Black Jack			287.65
611—Thomas Bros., supplies chain gang			13.00
612—E. B. Terry, supplies, chain gang			91.35
613—T. C. Covington, work and material New Ferry road			2.06
614—John Wallace, salary guard, chain gang			35.00
615—Tom Russell, salary guard, chain gang			35.00
616—Charlie Covington, dragging Ellerbe road			72.50
617—W. G. Kirk, salary foreman chain gang			50.00
618—J. L. McDonald, salary foreman chain gang			50.00
619—Ed Baxley, salary guard, chain gang			35.00
620—Ledbetter Mfg. Co., payment on contract, Ledbetter road			120.00
621—John Allred, shop work chain gang			5.00
622—W. B. Covington, salary superintendent			100.00
623—W. B. Covington, allowance car expense			20.60
624—Jas H. Webb, dragging Cognac-Hoffman road			5.10
625—H. D. Baldwin, supplies chain gang			154.00
626—Marvin Andrews, work on Rham-Cheraw road			75.00
627—W. G. Lowery, supplies chain gang			366.31
628—J. T. Stutts, supplies chain gang			2.40
629—T. C. Leak, lumber bridges, Wolf Pit			28.80
630—E. S. Davis, repair work, chain gang			7.20
631—W. T. McDonald, dragging Rockingham-Hoffman road			7.50
632—J. A. McRae, work on roads, Min. Spgs.			12.00
633—Z. V. Williams, dragging roads, Min. Spgs.			36.75
634—J. T. Lowe, hauling on roads, Steeles			10.50
635—H. W. F. Co., supplies chain gang			284.67
636—Rockingham Cash Store, supplies chain gang			66.19
637—Norman Bros., work on roads, Norman			84.27
638—Everett Hdwe. Co., supplies, chain gang and county			314.35
639—S. Biggs, drugs chain gang			10.05
640—J. A. McAulay, C. S. C., cost road cases, Hamlet Court			25.26
641—Southern Express Co., express on tractor parts			7.55
642—Bank of Pee Dee, Com. paid on coupons, B. Dam bonds			.82
643—W. W. Gibson, rock work, Rockingham-Cheraw road			3.00
644—E. F. Craven, balance on tractor			1,950.00

Total disbursements for November, 1917 \$ 6,678.75
Bond paid \$ 1,000.00
Interest on bonds paid 600.00 1,600.00

Total current expenses \$ 5,078.75

SUMMARY OF THE AMOUNTS PAID FOR THE YEAR ON ACCOUNT OF THE ROADS FOR THE COUNTY

Paid for maintenance of the convicts	\$ 15,012.68
County superintendent of roads, salary for the year	1,200.00
Expenses of the superintendent's automobile	244.55
Maintenance and building of roads in the several townships, other than by convict labor, and interest on township bonds, as follows:	
Steeles—	
Maintenance of roads	\$ 434.60
Interest on bonds	600.00 1,034.60
Mineral Springs—	
Maintenance of roads	\$ 1,592.24
Interest on bonds	300.00 1,892.24
Black Jack—	
Maintenance of roads	\$ 746.39
Interest on bonds	300.00 1,046.39
Rockingham—	
Maintenance and building roads	\$ 2,216.52
Interest on bonds	1,500.00 3,716.52
Wolf Pit—	
Maintenance of roads	\$ 1,358.32
Interest on bonds	1,400.00 2,758.32
Marks Creek—	
Maintenance of roads	\$ 2,274.55
Interest on bonds	750.00 3,024.55
Beaver Dam—	
Maintenance of roads	\$ 986.00
Interest on bonds	900.00 1,886.00
County road bonds paid and cancelled	1,500.00
Interest on county road bonds and notes, including commission paid on coupons	2,619.26
County roads notes paid from proceeds of bonds	25,000.00
General county road expense, including machinery bought and repairs on machinery, etc.	5,900.95

Total expenditures of all nature for the year \$ 66,836.09

THE ABOVE ITEMS MAY BE SUB-DIVIDED AS FOLLOWS:

Bonds paid, notes paid, interest and commissions on bonds and notes paid	\$ 34,869.26
Maintenance and building roads, including convict and outside labor, superintendent's and guards' salary, feeding mules, buying mules and buying new machinery	31,966.83
	\$ 66,836.09

TRUSTEES' SALE OF LARGE AND VALUABLE FARMS NEAR HAMLET.

BY VIRTUE of a certain Deed of Trust executed by the late D. M. Morrison to the undersigned, and duly recorded in the Registry of Richmond County, Book 90, Page 172, and the following, we will sell to the highest bidder for cash at the courthouse, in the town of Rockingham, Richmond County, N. C., on the 14th day of January, 1918, at twelve o'clock, noon, nine tracts or parcels of land, lying and being in Richmond County, and described as follows, to-wit:

FIRST TRACT:—Lying and being in Richmond County, North Carolina, and in Marks' Creek Township, Beginning at a post oak, now down, three black jack pointers, on the lower side

Smith's 150 acre tract, N. 60 E 5 chains to a corner, four marked pines on the West of Hugh's Branch, thence S. 45 E. 25 chains to a corner in the Marks' Creek Swamp, thence S. 45 W. 6 chains to a corner; thence N. 45 W. 11 chains, and 75 links to a corner in the Grant lands in the head of the said Douglas Spring Branch, and then down the various courses of said branch until the course S. 81 W. will strike the Cheraw Road, Northwest of the Gun Smith Shop, thence with the road S. 5 E. 10 chs. and 82 links to the edge of Marks' Creek, thence down the edge of said creek until a line will strike the beginning that runs a North course, containing about 450 acres, including the dwelling house and other improvements, allotted to Catherine Morrison, afterwards Catherine McFayden, widow of Malcolm C. Morrison, deceased, and others, jury summoned to allot her dower in the lands of her deceased husband, the said Malcolm C. Morrison, the report of said jury being on record in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of Richmond County in Book entitled "Estate etc." 1848 to 1853, at page 444, reference to which is hereby made; excepting from the above boundaries all of said land situate on the west side of the Bennettsville and Rockingham Public Road, conveyed to Archie Morrison, said exception containing about 120 acres.

SECOND TRACT:—Lying and being in Richmond County, Marks' Creek Township, adjoining the lands of Catherine McFayden, G. J. Freeman and others described as follows:

BEGINNING at the corner of the dower (a sycamore tree) by the road North side of Marks' Creek and runs as the road leading to Bennettsville 7 chs., crossing Marks' Creek; thence as said road S. 7 E. 13 chs., thence S. 15 degrees E. 4 chs., to a stake in said road, a hickory and black jack pointers; thence N. 81 degrees E. 17 chs., to a poplar tree in the West edge of a branch, a black gum pointer; thence N. 9 W. 7.50 chs., to a high water mark, or as the black water may go when a dam is raised then up said Marks' Creek along the edge of high water mark as far as the water may go if it should not reach beyond the upper line of the Gill land; thence to the run of said Creek; thence up said Creek as far as the back water may go; thence as a line of the lands conveyed by Murdoch Morrison to David Gill on the 7th day of December, 1854, crossing said Creek to high water mark on the opposite side; thence as the edge of the pond nearly to the Mill Dam; thence as its other line through the garden by a peach tree; thence as its other line direct to the beginning, containing 300 acres, more or less, and being the lands conveyed to D. M. Morrison by D. D. Gill and wife by deed recorded in Book T. T., page 336, of the office of the Register of Deeds for Richmond County.

THIRD TRACT:—Lying and being in Richmond County, Marks' Creek Township, being the share allotted to Samuel Russ in the division of the estate lands of John Russ among his heirs at law. Beginning at a stake three black jack pointers, in the line of Daniel McLeod's fifty acre tract, and in 5 chains east of a large pine, the beginning corner of said tract, north of the plantation of said McLeod heirs, and runs with said tract E. 14.75 chains to the corner of said McLeod's tract, a stake and three black jack pointers; thence S. 15 chs.; thence S. 54 E. 17.50 chains crossing a branch below a spring to a corner; thence N. 50 E. 15 chains; thence N. 23 W. 58 chains; thence direct to the beginning, on both sides of the road leading from Rockingham to Morrisson's Mill, containing 100 acres, more or less.

FOURTH TRACT:—Lying and being in Richmond County, Marks' Creek Township, Beginning at a stake among three large pines, the McLeod corner, and runs East 50 chains to D. W. McIntyre's corner; thence as his line North 30 West 27 chains to his corner in the Cole line; then as said Cole line West 25 chains to his corner; then direct to the beginning, containing 50 acres, more or less, and being the same tract of land that was deeded to Sarah F. Smith by John D. Shaw and wife.

FIFTH TRACT:—Lying and being in Richmond County, Marks' Creek Township, Beginning at a stake, two pines and two black jack pointers, south of Speeds old road and the corner of Duncan McIntyre's 50 acre survey and runs West 28 chains to Hunts' line; then North 30 chains to the Green Pond Road; then with said Road South 60 East 11 chains to McRae's line; then with it South 45 E. to the beginning, it being that tract of land granted to Mary Ann McIntyre, in December, 1850, and recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Richmond County, in Book Q. Page 317, and the said grant is hereby referred to for a fuller description of the said land, said land was also conveyed to J. F. Bishop by Henry J. Willoughby and wife by deed dated the 18th day of March, 1904, and recorded in Book U. U. U., Page 384, in Register of Deeds Office of Richmond County.

SIXTH TRACT:—Lying and being in Richmond County, Marks' Creek Township, and adjoining the lands of Christian McRae, C. A. Millikin, John Chavis and others. Beginning at a line, two pipe pointers, in the Calvin Waddell line and runs N. 37 E. 1.50 chains to a pine, McLeod's corner; thence E. 5 chains to a turkey oak; thence N. 24 E. 28 chains to the line of Christian McRae's land; thence N. 40 W. 14.50 chains to a stake C. A. Millikin's corner; thence as his line S. 74 W. 27 chs. to a stake two black jack pointers Millikin's corner; thence S. 30 E. 33.50 chains to the beginning,

excepting, however, from the above described land fifty (50) acres herebefore conveyed by M. J. Moore to William Lamplly, and since conveyed by William Lamplly to Mary J. Moore, containing 20 acres, more or less, exclusive of the 50 acres excepted above being the same land conveyed by deed dated March the 9th, 1881, by Morgan Taylor to Mary J. Moore, and by Mary J. Moore to W. H. Steele by deed dated the 8th day of January 1895.

SEVENTH TRACT:—Lying and being in Richmond County, Marks' Creek Township, and adjoining the lands of Christian McRae, C. A. Millikin, John Chavis, et als., being a part of a tract of land granted to Alexander Hunt on the west side of the Rockingham Road, Beginning at a line and two pipe pointers in Calvin Waddell's line and runs N. 37 E. 1.50 chains to a pine, the McRae corner; thence E. 5 chains to a turkey oak; thence N. 24 E. to Ned Cole's line; thence N. a distance to make 50 acres by turning West to the Gaisey house line and thence to the beginning, containing 50 acres, more or less, being the same 50 acres excepted in the above described tract deeded to W. H. Steele by a Mary J. Moore by deed dated in 1897, and being the same two tracts of land that was conveyed by W. H. Steele to C. E. Ashworth by deed dated October 4th, 1897, which is recorded in Book K. K. K., Page 295 Register's Office, Richmond County, and the same two tracts of land that was conveyed by the said C. E. Ashworth and wife to M. R. Stubbs by deed dated April 22, 1908, which is registered in Book No. 68, Page 276, Register's Office, of Richmond County.

EIGHTH TRACT:—Lying and being in Richmond County Marks' Creek Township, being known and designated as lots No. 2 in the division of the estate lands of John Russ among his heirs at law, and the lot that was allotted in the division of said lands to N. J. Russ, Beginning at Sarah Smith's corner, now a lightwood stump, and runs S. 40 W. 19 chains to a stake, thence N. 45 W. 12.50 chains to a lightwood stake and oak pointers; thence N. 50 E. 15 chains to William B. Smith's corner; thence N. 23 W. 15 chains to a stake, A pine and black jack pointers, also a corner of William B. Smith's 22-acre tract; thence N. 25 W. 1 1/2 50 chains to a forked black jack and black jack pointers, in Duncan McIntyre's line; thence as his line E. 25.50 chains, to a stake, black jack and oak pointers; thence S. 73 E. 12 chs., to the second line of the John Russ 75 acre tract; thence as said Russ line, reversed west 17 chains to his second corner; thence with his first line reversed, 25 chains to the beginning, containing 57 acres, more or less, a full description of said tract of land being recorded in Book of Orders and Decrees from 1893 to 1901, at Page 560, Clerk Superior Court's Office, Richmond County, reference to which is hereby made for a more perfect description of said land.

NINTH TRACT:—Lying and being in Richmond County, Marks' Creek Township, and adjoining the lands of Wiley L. Stricklin, the Freeman lands and others, described as follows: Beginning at a spring by the road, and not far from said Creek, and adjoining the Catherine McFayden lands; a full and explicit description and plot of this tract may be seen by reference to said Catherine McFayden's dower plat and papers in the Clerk's office of Richmond County, conveyed to D. M. Morrison by Ralph Morrison by deed dated November 28th, 1902, and recorded in Book S. S. S., Page 382, of the Register's office, Richmond County.

The conveyance of the foregoing described tracts of land was made subject to a deed of trust executed by D. M. Morrison to W. H. Wood, Trustee, dated February 14th, 1912, and recorded in Book No. 64, Page 99, of the office of the Register of Deeds for Richmond County, which secured an indebtedness to American Trust Company, of Charlotte, N. C., in amount of \$20,000.00, of which amount \$12,500.00 was then unpaid.

This sale is made because of failure to pay either principal or interest on any of the said notes, and is made at the request of Farmers Guano Company, payee, of said notes.

This 13th day of December, 1917.

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WALTER L. PARSONS,
Trustees.

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Dufresnay's Christmas Awakening

ON Christmas morning of the year 1681 M. Dufresnay's apartments were in some confusion. Monsieur himself as he slept on a spindle legged sofa was not the very image of order. His rose colored satin coat was under his head, and his silk stockings dangled over the end of his all too brief bed. The cards of yesterday and yesterday's bestrewed the floor. He was disturbed by the insistent tinkling of a bell. Dufresnay groaned and struggled to his feet. On opening the door he beheld a very beautiful young lady quaintly disguised as a working woman and carrying a large basket such as laundresses use. Dufresnay retreated in confusion, bowing profoundly and wrestling with his coat. "I pray your pardon me, mademoiselle. I did not expect a— a vision!" "And I pray you, monsieur, not to mock me," she replied, with a wry lit-



"I Did Not Expect a Vision!"

tle smile. "The last time I came your servant said you had no money. You owe me 17 livres."

Dufresnay gazed in speechless incredulity for a moment and then burst out laughing.

"A merry Christmas to you, mademoiselle!" he cried. "Is the basket for me?"

"I wish you also a merry Christmas. But please, please listen to me. Perhaps the wine is not yet out of your head. But I must have money today. Surely you can understand?"

Dufresnay partially mastered his wits and attempted an elaborate compliment.

"I have seen all the shepherdesses of our Arcadian Versailles and— By the goddess of the laundry, you are not crying! The basket is very heavy. And here are actual shirts!"

He looked in comic perplexity from the basket to the girl. Then he said gently, "Has no one ever told you how beautiful you are?"

"Certainly you are not the first to flatter me nor the first that failed to pay me, but," she added, and her eyes filled with tears, "I had better hopes of you. Fine words will not help me."

"I know they will not. What have I that will bring 17 livres? This ring?"

"But that is a wedding ring."

"My mother's. And it is for my wife. It is for you."

"That is a cruel jest. And I thought you were so different. You have never seen me before, but I live not far away, and I have often seen you. You are not yourself now or you would not mock me so."

"I was never myself before," insisted Dufresnay.

At this moment a stately personage appeared in the doorway and rang the bell with great vigor.

Dufresnay greeted him with delight. "Is his majesty returned to Paris? No? He is well?"

Turning to the girl, he said: "I am, as perhaps you know, the king's poor kinsman, as poor as he is rich. M. Ribot has been the bearer of many good gifts. Monsieur, mademoiselle is my betrothed."

"Ah— M. Dufresnay, his majesty trusted me with this Christmas present for you—this purse of gold, 500 louis, I believe, and this commission creating you valet de chambre du roi, with a stipend of 100,000 livres per annum. I congratulate you, monsieur. As I have many other commissions to execute for his gracious majesty, I must humbly take my leave."

"Present my grateful thanks and Christmas wishes to his majesty."

M. Ribot made his departure with somewhat the air of one who gladly takes leave of questionable company.

"May I also congratulate you, monsieur?" timidly ventured the girl. "You can pay me now," she added rather tamely.

"You see my establishment—how I live. Could not the order of these apartments be improved? Will you abandon me smid-such ruins? The abbe who ministers in the church yonder is my good friend."

"Why, he is also my abbe!"

"Wonderful! White lambs and black are alike his care. I am a most unlucky gamester. And you can give me better luck than ever came of winning. On my honor, I love you. And the abbe will be very glad to see us. Shall we not make the good old man happy?"

"If you will, monsieur."—W. R. Van Deusen in New York Evening Sun.

A Christmas Prayer.

God grant no little child may go
With hungry heart or empty hand—
Give this thy world one radiant day
To understand, to understand.

Give us the fitting word to say,
The spendthrift smile, the brave co-
ress;

Disclose our hearts and give us now
The courage of our tenderness!

Lord, we are old with toil and tears,
Our souls are veiled with various art,
Yet still the little children keep
Thine ancient simplicity of heart—

And they alone of all thy breath
May bind the burning angel's eyes
And, striking laughter from the sword,
Retrace the years to paradise.

They are so brave with love and
dreams,
So eager eyed and, oh, so dear!
I think we must return them now
The faith they bore across the year.

I think that we must give them now
The spendthrift smile, the kindly
word.

That earth may keep its ancient hope
And we thy full commandments,
Lord.

—Dana Turner.